

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 11 and 12 and amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A gaming machine comprising:

a plurality of lottery boards, each of which is provided with a plurality of lottery holes and a face portion on which a lottery ball can roll;

a game result determination ~~means~~ device for determining a game result on a basis of identification information associated with any one of the plurality of lottery holes receiving the lottery ball under a condition that the lottery ball enters said any one of the plurality of lottery holes, each of the plurality of lottery holes of said lottery boards being associated with identification information for determining a lottery result.

2. (Currently Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 1,

wherein said game result determination ~~means~~ device comprises:

an identification information selecting ~~means~~ device for selecting the identification information being composed of a plurality of symbol codes, each of which is in association with the lottery hole receiving the lottery ball under a condition that the lottery ball enters said any one of the plurality lottery holes, and

a game control ~~means~~ device for determining the game result on a basis of the identification information selected by the identification information selecting ~~means~~ device.

wherein the plurality of lottery holes of the plurality of lottery boards are allocated with respective symbol codes that constitute the identification information.

3. (Currently Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 1, further comprising:

a cabinet having the plurality of lottery boards; and

a tilting control ~~means~~ device for tilting the cabinet,

wherein the lottery ball rolls over the plurality of lottery boards as the cabinet is tilted by the tilting control ~~means~~ device.

4. (Currently Amended) A gaming machine comprising:

a lottery board having a face portion, on which a lottery ball rolls, and a plurality of lottery holes provided on the face portion;

a game result determination ~~means~~ device for determining a game result on a basis of any one of the plurality of lottery holes, which the lottery ball is to enter;

a rotation control ~~means~~ device for controlling the lottery board such that the lottery board is rotated clockwise or counterclockwise;

a first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device for throwing a lottery ball substantially in a same direction as a direction vector that the lottery board rotates;

a second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device for throwing a lottery ball in an opposite direction to the first lottery ball throwing direction;

a lottery ball throwing control ~~means~~ device for controlling the lottery ball to be thrown from either the first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device or the second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device; and

a lottery ball detecting ~~means~~ device for detecting whether the lottery ball is thrown from either the first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device or the second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device.

wherein the rotation control ~~means~~ device has a function to determine the rotational direction of the lottery board on a basis of a detection result of the lottery ball detecting ~~means~~ device.

5. (Currently Amended) A gaming machine comprising:

a lottery board having a face portion, on which a lottery ball rolls, and a plurality of lottery holes provided on the face portion;

a game result determination ~~means~~ device for determining a game result on a basis of any lottery hole of the plural lottery holes, which receives the lottery ball as the lottery ball enters;

a rotation control ~~means~~ device for controlling the lottery board such that the lottery board is rotated clockwise or counterclockwise;

a first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device for throwing a lottery ball substantially in a same direction as a direction vector that the lottery board rotates;

a second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device for throwing a lottery ball in an opposite direction to the first lottery ball throwing direction; and

a lottery ball throwing control ~~means~~ device for controlling the lottery ball to be thrown from wither the first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device or the second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device,

wherein the lottery ball throwing control ~~means~~ device controls to selectively throw the lottery ball from either the first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device or the second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device on a basis of a direction, in which the lottery board is rotated by the rotation control ~~means~~ device.

6. (Currently Amended) The gaming machine according to claim 4,

wherein the rotation control ~~means~~ device has a function to rotate the lottery board clockwise when the lottery ball detecting ~~means~~ device detects that the lottery ball is thrown from the first lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device, or rotate the lottery board counterclockwise when the lottery ball detecting ~~means~~ device detects that the lottery ball is thrown from the second lottery ball throwing ~~means~~ device.

7. (Currently Amended) A computer readable storage medium encoded with a computer program for a gaming machine provided with a lottery board having a face portion, on which a lottery ball rolls, and a plurality of lottery holes provided on the face portion, the gaming machine comprising:

a rotational driving means device for rotating the lottery board;

a first lottery ball throwing means device for throwing the lottery ball substantially in a same direction as a direction vector that the lottery board rotates;

a second lottery ball throwing means device for throwing the lottery ball in an opposite direction to the direction of the first lottery ball throwing means device; and

a throwing ball detecting means device for detecting whether the lottery ball is thrown from wither the first lottery ball throwing means device or the second lottery ball throwing means device,

wherein the program ~~executing a game result determination step of determining~~ determines a game result on a basis of a plurality of lottery holes receiving lottery balls as a lottery ball enters any one of the plurality of lottery holes, and

wherein the program executes:

~~a lottery ball throwing step of~~ throwing the lottery ball from either the first lottery ball throwing means device or the second lottery ball throwing means device,

~~a rotational direction determination step of~~ determining a rotational direction of the lottery board on a basis of a detection result of the lottery ball detecting device, step, and

~~a rotation control step of~~ controlling the rotation control means device to rotate the lottery board in a direction determined in the determining the rotational direction determination step.

8. (Previously Presented) A gaming machine comprising:

a plurality of lottery boards being provided with a plurality of lottery holes and respective face portions on which lottery balls can roll, each of the plurality of lottery holes being associated with identification information for determining a lottery result;

a slope for guiding the lottery balls from a lottery ball receiving portion to the plurality of lottery boards, wherein the guided lottery balls roll on the face portions until the lottery balls enter any of the plurality of lottery holes;

a controller for determining a game result on a basis of identification information associated with each of the plurality of lottery holes receiving the lottery balls.

9. (Previously Presented) The gaming machine according to claim 8,

wherein said controller selects the identification information being composed of a plurality of symbol codes, each of which is associated with each lottery hole receiving a lottery ball, and determines the game result on a basis of the identification information selected by said controller,

wherein the plurality of lottery holes of the plurality of lottery boards are allocated with respective symbol codes that constitute the identification information.

10. (Previously Presented) The gaming machine according to claim 8, further comprising:

a cabinet having the plurality of lottery boards; and

a swinging device for tilting the cabinet as the lottery balls roll over the plurality of lottery boards.

11. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 1, wherein a total circumferential length of the plurality of lottery boards is equalized.

12. (New) The gaming machine according to claim 8, wherein a total circumferential length of the plurality of lottery boards is equalized.